#### **SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**REPORT TO:** Neighbourhoods & Community Services Scrutiny Panel

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**PART I** 

#### TO NOTE

# NEIGHBOURHOODS & COMMUNITY SERVICES SCRUTINY PANEL 2014/15 WORK PROGRAMME

- 1. Purpose of Report
- 1.1 For the Neighbourhoods and Community Services Scrutiny Panel (NCS Panel) to discuss its current work programme.
- 2. Recommendations/Proposed Action
- 2.1 That the Panel note the current work programme for the 2014/15 municipal year
- 3. **Joint Slough Wellbeing Strategy Priorities** 
  - Housing
  - Regeneration and Environment
  - Safer Communities
- 3.1 The Council's decision-making and the effective scrutiny of it underpins the delivery of all the Sustainable Community Strategy priorities. The NCS Panel, along with the Overview & Scrutiny Committee and other Scrutiny Panels combine to meet the local authority's statutory requirement to provide public transparency and accountability, ensuring the best outcomes for the residents of Slough.
- 3.2 In particular, the NCS Panel specifically takes responsibility for ensuring transparency and accountability for Council services relating to housing, regeneration and environment, and safer communities.

## 4. **Supporting Information**

- 4.1 The current work programme is based on the discussions of the NCS Panel at previous meetings, looking at requests for consideration of issues from officers and issues that have been brought to the attention of Members outside of the Panel's meetings.
- 4.2 The work programme is a flexible document which will be continually open to review throughout the municipal year.

## 5. **Conclusion**

5.1 This report is intended to provide the NCS Panel with the opportunity to review its upcoming work programme and make any amendments it feels are required.

## 6. Appendices Attached

A - Work Programme for 2014/15 Municipal Year

## 7. Background Papers

None.